REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This case has been carefully reviewed and analyzed in view of the Official Action dated 13 December 2004. Responsive to the rejections made in the Official Action, Claims 1 – 3 have been cancelled by this Amendment and replaced by new Claims 4 – 11.

In the Official Action, the Examiner rejected Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b), as being anticipated by Hung, U.S. Patent No. 6,317,930.

Before discussing the prior art relied upon by the Examiner, it is believed beneficial to first briefly review the structure of the invention of the subject Patent Application as now defined in new Claim 4. The invention of the subject Patent Application is directed to a handle of a glass door. The handle includes an outward handle part disposed on one side of the glass door and has a middle portion and two folded ends. Each folded end is formed with a connected tail end portion and the connecting tail end portion has a radial through hole formed therethrough. The handle includes two metallic connecting blocks respectively attached to the connecting tail end portions of the outward handle part. Each connecting block has (a) a first end mounted to a corresponding one of the connecting tail end portions, (b) a second opposing end, (c) a holding cavity formed in the first end and receiving the corresponding connecting tail end portion therein, (d) a threaded hole formed in the second end and communicating with the

holding cavity, and (e) two radially directed through holes formed adjacent the first end and aligned one with the other and the radial through hole of a respective connecting tail end portion. The two radially directed through holes are in open communication with the holding cavity. The handle includes two securing members respectively extending through the aligned radially directed through holes in the connecting blocks and the corresponding connecting tail end portions to securely attach the connecting blocks to the corresponding connecting tail end portions. The handle includes two protective tubes respectively sleeved over the connecting blocks, and two bolts adapted to extend through the glass door and screwed respectively into the threaded holes in the connecting blocks.

In contradistinction, the Hung reference is directed to a pivotal handle that may be adjusted and maintained at a desired angle. The rod shaped handle 1 has a pair of opposing end portions, each formed with a protruded umbrella shaped teeth portion 11. The end portions have an axially directed through hole 12 and a radially directed hole 13 in open communication with the through hole 12. A fixing seat 2 has a concave umbrella shaped teeth portion 21 for engagement with the corresponding protruding portion of the handle and a supporting shaft 3 which is disposed in the through hole 12 of the handle with a radially directed through hole 32 aligned with the pivotal hole 13 of the end portion of the handle and through which an eccentric shaft 4 extends. The supporting shaft 3 is secured to a respective fixing seat 2 by means of a threaded portion 31 extending from one end

thereof which passes through a staged hole 23 formed in the center of the fixing seat for coupling with a nut 312 which is disposed in the staged hole 23.

Therefore, the reference fails to disclose a pair of protective tubes respectively sleeved over the connecting blocks, as now claimed. The Examiner has interpreted the moveable pieces 5 as being equivalent to Applicant's protective tubes. However, the moveable pieces 5 act as levers for causing rotation of the eccentric shaft 4 to displace the corresponding fixing seat so that the teeth thereof disengage from those on the handle and allow rotation of the handle. The moveable pieces 5 overlay a portion of the handle, but are neither sleeved nor overlay the fixing seat 2, which the Examiner has interpreted to be equivalent to Applicant's connecting blocks. Further, the reference fails to disclose two bolts adapted to extend through the glass door and screwed respectively into the threaded holes in the connecting blocks. The Examiner has interpreted the threaded end portions 31 of the supporting shaft 3 to be equivalent to Applicant's bolts, however, such extend from within the handle to secure the fixing seat thereto. Nowhere does the reference disclose any threaded member extending through the structure to which the handle is to be mounted and screwed into the fixing seats (connecting blocks).

Therefore, as the reference fails to disclose each and every one of the elements of the invention of the subject Patent Application, as now claimed, it cannot anticipate that invention. Further, as the reference fails to suggest the

combination of elements which form the invention of the subject Patent Application, it cannot make obvious that invention either. With respect to the dependent claims, the reference neither discloses nor suggests bolts having a flat head to abut the glass door, ringed and tube-shaped pads, and an inward handle part and corresponding second connecting blocks, second securing members, second protective tubes, bolts having an annular engaging projection, and a pair of threaded fasteners having distal ends abutting the annular engaging projections, as now claimed.

It is now believed that the subject Patent Application has been placed in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

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